THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRl P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) This Ministry is not aware of any re-export arrangements offered by Turkey.

(b> According to the latest provi sional commodity-wise trade data, India's imports of agricultural pro ducts from Turkey in the years 1984-85 and 1985-86 amounted to Rs. 22.12 crores and Rs. 24.75 crores respective ly. India's exports to Turkey were of the order of Rs. 2.54 crores and Rs. 9.46 crores respectively during these two years. The main items of export from India included hessian cloth, tea processing machinery, spices and henna.

Ex-gratia Payment

1699. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister ol HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme under which the Central Government have agreed to pay *ex-gratia* amount of relief to the next of kin of those killed in riots/'terrorist actions; if so, the details (hereof;

(b) if so, the number of persons killed (year-wise) since 1st January, 1984 till 31st October, 1987 in the country, State/Union Territory-wise;

(c) the number of cases in which no such *ex-gratia* amount was sanctioned and the number of cases where such amount nos been sanctioned till date; and

(d) whether the State Governments have also made any proposal in this regard; if so, the response of the Central Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) There is no Central scheme for payment of *ex-gratia* amount of relief to the next of kin of those killed in riots/terrorist action. However, the Central Government has issued guidelines on rehabilitation of and payment of *ex-gratia* grant to the victims of communal riots and it is upto the State Governments to adopt these guidelines.

(b) and (c) The Central Government is not monitoring any such information in view of the fact that the payment of relief is to be made by the State Governments.

(d) No proposals have been received from the State Governments in this regard as rehabilitation assistance is to be given by them.

Measures to reduce Trade Imbalances between India and France

1700. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVIND-RAO PATIL:

SHRI J. P. GOYAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that India and France have agreed on a set of specific measures to reduce the imbalance in bilateral trade:

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what is the present position of trade between India and France; and

(d) the extent to which the imbalance in bilateral trade is likely to be removed as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P- R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) During the discussions at the 6th session of the Indo-French Joint Com-